(*b*) Dual management of the nala repairs in the Seringapatam Taluk is to be remedied.

Reply of Government.—The question will again be investigated.

Subject No. 341.

Channel and water distribution work to be entrusted to the Revenue Department.

(a) Messrs. Guru Rao, Padmanna and Chandrasekharaiya of Nanjangud Tk.

(b) Mr. Lingegowda of the Mysore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) The Channel Department is under the control of the Revenue Department only during the cultivation season while at other seasons it is under the Public Works Department, causing much inconvenience to the public. It is therefore proposed that big works might be entrusted to the Public Works Department leaving the channel and the distribution of water-supply to be looked after solely by the Revenue authorities.

(*b*) The supervision and control of the repairs of such nalas be delegated to Amildars.

Mr. Annaiya Pandit.—"At each tract a committee of raiyats should be formed. Raiyats should be asked to remove silt simultaneously with removal of weeds. For the former they must be paid. This is better than getting work done by contractors having no local interest. Requirements of all tracts are not identical. D. P. W. and revenue authorities should co-operate. As matters stand work is done late and perfunctorily. Hot weather supply for sugar-cane must be specified. Revenue Officers must inspect whether repairs have been done or not before the 25th May."

Mr. A. Ramanna.—"Jareeb of work should be done by D. P. W. Officer and Taluk Amildar or Sheristadar together."

Reply of Government.—Noted for consideration.

Subject No. 342.

Proper supervision of the appropriation of the annual allotments made for channel repairs.

Mr. A. Ramanna.

Summary of discussion.—Annual allotments are made for clearing silt and for carrying out annual repairs, etc., for each channel; and necessary arrangement is also made to supervise and to see to the right appropriation of the above allotments. But still there is a general complaint for water which recedes every year in the channels. This does not bear testimony to a correct state of things. It is therefore suggested that respectable land-holders having interest in the channels supplying water even to the tail end may be given a hand in the act of supervision or some other remedies made so as to render the large outlay on the annual repairs more useful to the land-holders.

Reply of Government.—What is possible is being done.

Subject No. 343.

Early classification of tanks.

Mr. Ramanuja Iyengar of Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Classification of tanks may be made early as promised in the reply to Subject No. 20 (5) of 1893.

Reply of Government.—What is suggested is not practicable.

Subject No. 344.

Maintenance of major and minor tanks Mr. Patel Basappa, Shimoga Tk., Mr. Desakulakarni Dasappa, Chennalingappa, Nelamangla Tk, Mr. C. N. Krishnappa, Taluk member, Hiriyur.

Summary of discussion.—The maintenance of the minor tanks may also be undertaken by the Government, half the cost being paid by the Government, the other half being recovered from the raiyats as a revenue demand.

(*b*) The Public Works Department may undertake the repairs, the cost being met from the realization of the sale of fishery and the levy of a cess at one or two pies per rupee of the assessment.

(*c*) A tax of one anna per Rs. 50 to be levied for the maintenance of these tanks.

Reply of Government.—This is impracticable.

Subject No. 345.

Repairs to and restoration of the minor tanks.

Messrs. Chik Ramanna (Kolar Taluk), Chinnappa, Srinivaspur Taluk, Chik Narayanareddi, Nadig Ranga Rao of Honnali Taluk, Giriappa Setti and Belavatta Timmasetti of the Gubbi Taluk; Venkatanarsimhachar of the Pavagada Taluk; Lingegowda of Silanare in the Krishnarajpete Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(1) The repairs to minor tanks should be undertaken by Government.

(2) Minor tanks of less than Rs. 300 revenue must be repaired by Government as the assessment on the lands under these tanks is just the same as on those under major tanks.

(3) The entire cost of restoration of minor tanks may be borne by Government. The cost of earthwork being recovered from raiyats as extra kandayam.

(4) Minor tanks should be repaired by Government and the wet rate of kandayam on the lands be raised or the cost recovered from the raiyats after the execution of the same.

(5) The restoration of minor tanks the revenue of which is below Rs. 100 may also be executed by Government.

(6) In maidan parts great inconvenience is felt for want of water. The tanks and wells now in a bad condition may be early repaired at the cost of Government.

(7) Instead of constructing new major tanks minor tanks may be repaired so as to hold water sufficient for the atchakat under them at the cost of Government.

(8) The rate of assessment fixed on the lands both under the major and minor tanks is all the same. If the rate of assessment in regard to lands under minor tanks be not reduced, the execution of stone and earth-work thereto may be done at the cost of Government.

Note.—Expressed thanks for the announcement made in the speech for the repair and restoration of minor tank

Subject No. 346.

Repairs to minor tanks in Malnad.

Messrs. Ramappa, Channabasappa Gowda, Nagar Taluk; Nadig Sivappa, Bhaskara Rao, Guru Rao, Nadig Pandurangappa, Kumsi Sub-Taluk; Keladi Venkappa, Kigga Chennakesava Rao of the Koppa Taluk; C. Srinivasa Rao of the Chikmagalur Taluk; Ananthakesavachar of the Belur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) There are no big tanks in Malnad but there are a good many small tanks for the use of garden cultivation. But the raiyats are not in a position to repair such tanks. It is requested that these tanks whose atchakat is below Rs. 300 may be repaired at the cost of Government.

(*b*) Tanks whose atchakat is above Rs. 100 may be restored at the cost of Government and those with atchakat below Rs. 100 may be repaired by Government the cost thereof being recovered from the raiyats.

Withdrawn.